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IN RE:		Case No.
DUEÑO ESPADA, TOMAS M. &	LUGO RODRIGUEZ, MERCEDES E.	Chapter 13
	Debtor(s)	
	VERIFICATION OF CREDITOR M	IATRIX
The above named debtor(s) her	reby verify(ies) that the attached matrix listing cr	editors is true to the best of my(our) knowledge.
Date: January 25, 2016	Signature: /s/ TOMAS M. DUEÑO ESPAL	DA .
	TOMAS M. DUEÑO ESPADA	Debtor
Date: <b>January 25, 2016</b>	Signature: /s/ MERCEDES E. LUGO ROL	PRIGUEZ
	MERCEDES E. LUGO RODRI	GUEZ Joint Debtor, if any

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DUEÑO ESPADA, TOMAS M. & LUGO RODRIGUEZ, MERCEDES E.	Chapter 13
Debtor(s)  CERTIFICATION OF NOTICE TO CONSUMER I	DERTOR(S)
UNDER § 342(b) OF THE BANKRUPTCY C	. ,

<b>UNDER § 342(b) OF TH</b>	E BANKRUPTCY CODE	
Certificate of [Non-Attorney]	Bankruptcy Petition Preparer	
I, the [non-attorney] bankruptcy petition preparer signing the debtornotice, as required by § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.	's petition, hereby certify that I delivered to the de	otor the attached
Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer Address:	Social Security number (If petition preparer is not an the Social Security number principal, responsible personal the bankruptcy petition pre-	individual, state of the officer, on, or partner of eparer.)
X	(Required by 11 U.S.C. §	10.)
Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer of officer, principal, resp partner whose Social Security number is provided above.	onsible person, or	
Certificate o	f the Debtor	
I (We), the debtor(s), affirm that I (we) have received and read the	attached notice, as required by § 342(b) of the Banl	cruptcy Code.
DUEÑO ESPADA, TOMAS M. & LUGO RODRIGUEZ, MERCEDE	X /s/ TOMAS M. DUEÑO ESPADA	1/25/2016
Printed Name(s) of Debtor(s)	Signature of Debtor	Date
Case No. (if known)	Y /s/MERCEDES E LUGO RODRIGUEZ	1/25/2016

**Instructions:** Attach a copy of Form B 201A, Notice to Consumer Debtor(s) Under § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

Use this form to certify that the debtor has received the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) **only** if the certification has **NOT** been made on the Voluntary Petition, Official Form B1. Exhibit B on page 2 of Form B1 contains a certification by the debtor's attorney that the attorney has given the notice to the debtor. The Declarations made by debtors and bankruptcy petition preparers on page 3 of Form B1 also include this certification.

Signature of Joint Debtor (if any)

Date

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Fill in this information to identify your case:		
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:		
DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO, SAN JUAN DIVISION		
Case number (if known)	Chapter you are filing under:	
	☐ Chapter 7	
	☐ Chapter 11	
	☐ Chapter 12	
	■ Chapter 13	Check if this an amended filing

### Official Form 101

### **Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy**

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The bankruptcy forms use you and Debtor 1 to refer to a debtor filing alone. A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint* case—and in joint cases, these forms use you to ask for information from both debtors. For example, if a form asks, "Do you own a car," the answer would be yes if either debtor owns a car. When information is needed about the spouses separately, the form uses Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 to distinguish between them. In joint cases, one of the spouses must report information as Debtor 1 and the other as Debtor 2. The same person must be Debtor 1 in all of the forms.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known). Answer every question.

Par	t 1: Identify Yourself		
		About Debtor 1:	About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):
1.	Your full name		
	Write the name that is on your government-issued picture identification (for example, your driver's license or passport).  Bring your picture identification to your meetin with the trustee.	TOMAS  First name  M.  Middle name  DUEÑO ESPADA  Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)	MERCEDES First name  E. Middle name  LUGO RODRIGUEZ  Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)
2.	All other names you have used in the last 8 years Include your married or maiden names.	TOMAS MANUEL DUEÑO ESPADA	MERCEDES ELIZABETH LUGO RODRIGUEZ
3.	Only the last 4 digits of your Social Security number or federal Individual Taxpayer Identification number (ITIN)	xxx-xx-6032	xxx-xx-1841

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		About Debtor 1:	About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):			
4. Any business names and Employer Identification Numbers (EIN) you have used in the last 8 years		■ I have not used any business name or EINs.	■ I have not used any business name or EINs.			
	Include trade names and doing business as names	Business name(s)	Business name(s)			
		EINs	EINs			
5.	Where you live		If Debtor 2 lives at a different address:			
		CALLE CUPIDO #631 URB. VENUS GARDENS SAN JUAN, PR 00926				
		Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code	Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code			
		San Juan County	County			
		If your mailing address is different from the one above, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to you at this mailing address.	If Debtor 2's mailing address is different from yours, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to this mailing address.			
		PMB 105 352 AVE SAN CLAUDIO SAN JUAN, PR 00926-4117				
		Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code	Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code			
6.	Why you are choosing this district to file for	Check one:	Check one:			
	bankruptcy	Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district.	Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district.			
		☐ I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)	☐ I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)			

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Par	Tell the Court About	our Bank	ruptcy Ca	se				
7.	The chapter of the Bankruptcy Code you are	Check one. (For a brief description of each, see Notice Required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy (Form 2010)). Also, go to the top of page 1 and check the appropriate box.						
	choosing to file under	☐ Chap	oter 7					
		☐ Chap						
		☐ Chap	oter 12					
		■ Char	oter 13					
8.	How you will pay the fee	■ Iv	vill pay the	entire fee when I file my	<b>petition</b> . Ple	ase check with th	e clerk's office in your lo	ocal court for more details
		lf :		ey is submitting your paymer				shier's check, or money order. ard or check with a
		☐ İr	need to pay	the fee in installments. If		this option, sign a	and attach the Application	on for Individuals to Pay The
			•	Installments (Official Form 1	,	his option only if y	ou are filing for Chanter	r 7. By law, a judge may, but is
		no yo	ot required to our family size	o, waive your fee, and may o	lo so only if y the fee in in	our income is less stallments). If you	s than 150% of the office choose this option, you	ial poverty line that applies to unust fill out the Application
9.	Have you filed for	□ No.						
	bankruptcy within the last 8 years?	■ Yes.						
	o youro.	_ 100.	District	PUERTO RICO	When	6/26/13	Case number	13-05216-ESL
			District	T OERTO RIOG	When	0/20/10	Case number	10 00210 E0E
			District		When		Case number	
10.	Are any bankruptcy cases pending or being filed by	■ No						
	a spouse who is not filing this case with you, or by a business partner, or by an affiliate?	☐ Yes.						
			Debtor				Relationship to y	/ou
			District		When		Case number, if	known
			Debtor				Relationship to y	/ou
			District		When		Case number, if	known
11.	Do you rent your	■ No.	Go to I	ine 12.				
	residence?	☐ Yes.	Has vo	our landlord obtained an evic	tion judgmen	t against you and	do you want to stay in y	our residence?
				No. Go to line 12.	, , ,	J , 11 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	,,,	
				Yes. Fill out <i>Initial Stateme</i> bankruptcy petition.	nt About an	Eviction Judgmer	nt Against You (Form 10	01A) and file it with this

Debtor 1 Debtor 2

MERCEDES E.

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DUEÑO ESPADA, TOMAS M. & LUGO RODRIGUEZ, Page 10 of 20 Debtor 1 Debtor 2 MERCEDES E. Case number (if known) Part 3: Report About Any Businesses You Own as a Sole Proprietor 12. Are you a sole proprietor No. of any full- or part-time Go to Part 4. business? Name and location of business ☐ Yes. A sole proprietorship is a business you operate as an Name of business, if any individual, and is not a separate legal entity such as a corporation, partnership, or LLC. Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code If you have more than one sole proprietorship, use a separate sheet and attach it to this petition. Check the appropriate box to describe your business: Health Care Business (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A)) Single Asset Real Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B)) Stockbroker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A)) Commodity Broker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6)) None of the above 13. Are you filing under If you are filing under Chapter 11, the court must know whether you are a small business debtor so that it can set appropriate Chapter 11 of the deadlines. If you indicate that you are a small business debtor, you must attach your most recent balance sheet, statement of Bankruptcy Code and are operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure in 11 you a small business U.S.C. 1116(1)(B). debtor? I am not filing under Chapter 11. No. For a definition of small business debtor, see 11 I am filing under Chapter 11, but I am NOT a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy ■ No. U.S.C. § 101(51D). ☐ Yes. I am filing under Chapter 11 and I am a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code. Part 4: Report if You Own or Have Any Hazardous Property or Any Property That Needs Immediate Attention 14. Do you own or have any No. property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat of Yes. imminent and identifiable What is the hazard? hazard to public health or safety? Or do you own If immediate attention is any property that needs needed, why is it needed? immediate attention? For example, do you own

perishable goods, or livestock that must be fed,

or a building that needs urgent repairs?

Number, Street, City, State & Zip Code

Where is the property?

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Case number (if known)

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Explain Your Efforts to Receive a Briefing About Credit Counseling

### 15. Tell the court whether you have received a briefing about credit counseling.

The law requires that you receive a briefing about credit counseling before you file for bankruptcy. You must truthfully check one of the following choices. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file.

If you file anyway, the court can dismiss your case, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors can begin collection activities again.

### About Debtor 1:

You must check one:

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any,

I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

To ask for a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement, attach a separate sheet explaining what efforts you made to obtain the briefing, why you were unable to obtain it before you filed for bankruptcy, and what exigent circumstances required you to file this

Your case may be dismissed if the court is dissatisfied with your reasons for not receiving a briefing before you filed for bankruptcy. If the court is satisfied with your reasons, you must still receive a briefing within 30 days after you file. You must file a certificate from the approved agency, along with a copy of the payment plan you developed, if any. If you do not do so, your case may be

Any extension of the 30-day deadline is granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days.

I am not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling because of:

Incapacity.

I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

Disability. My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

Active duty. I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver of credit counseling with the court.

About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):

You must check one:

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

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Deb	tor 2 MERCEDES E.				Case n	number (if known)	
Par	6: Answer These Question	ons for Re <sub>l</sub>	porting Purposes				
16.	What kind of debts do you have?		Are your debts primarily con individual primarily for a person			e defined in 11 U.S.C.§ 101(8) as "incurred by an	
			☐ No. Go to line 16b.				
			Yes. Go to line 17.				
		16b.	Are your debts primarily bus for a business or investment or			ebts that you incurred to obtain money s or investment.	
			☐ No. Go to line 16c.				
			☐ Yes. Go to line 17.				
		16c.	State the type of debts you owe	e that are not consume	er debts or busir	ness debts	
17.	Are you filing under Chapter 7?	■ No.	I am not filing under Chapter 7	7. Go to line 18.			
	Do you estimate that after any exempt property is excluded and	☐ Yes.	I am filing under Chapter 7. Do paid that funds will be available			roperty is excluded and administrative expenses are	)
	administrative expenses are paid that funds will be		□ No				
	available for distribution to unsecured creditors?		☐ Yes				
18.	How many Creditors do you estimate that you	<b>1</b> -49		☐ 1,000-5,000		25,001-50,000	
	owe?	□ 50-99 □ 100-199		□ 5001-10,000 □ 10,001-25,0		☐ 50,001-100,000 ☐ More than100,000	
		200-99					
19.	How much do you	□ \$0 - \$5	•	<b>\$</b> 1,000,001	- \$10 million	□ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion	
	estimate your assets to be worth?		01 - \$100,000 001 - \$500,000	□ \$10,000,00°		☐ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion ☐ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion	
		□ \$100,001 - \$500,000 □ \$500,001 - \$1 million		□ \$50,000,00° □ \$100,000,00	1 - \$100 million 01 - \$500 millior	<b>—</b>	
20.	How much do you	□ \$0 - \$5		□ \$1,000,001		□ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion	
	estimate your liabilities to be?		01 - \$100,000 001 - \$500,000	□ \$10,000,00° □ \$50,000,00°		☐ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion ☐ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion	
			001 - \$300,000 001 - \$1 million		01 - \$100 million	_ ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' '	
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Par	5						
For	you	I have exa	have examined this petition, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided is true and correct.				
			f I have chosen to file under Chapter 7, I am aware that I may proceed, if eligible, under Chapter 7, 11,12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code. I understand the relief available under each chapter, and I choose to proceed under Chapter 7.				
			ney represents me and I did not ined and read the notice required	not an attorney to help me fill out this document, I			
		I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.					
		case can i			to 20 years, or	by or property by fraud in connection with a bankrup both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.  DES E. LUGO RODRIGUEZ	tcy
		TOMAS	M. DUEÑO ESPADA of Debtor 1			S E. LUGO RODRIGUEZ	
		Executed	on <u>January 25, 2016</u> MM / DD / YYYY		Executed on	January 25, 2016 MM / DD / YYYY	

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DUEÑO ESPADA, TOMAS M. & LUGO RODRIGUEZ, Page 13 of 20 Debtor 1 Debtor 2 MERCEDES E. Case number (if known) I, the attorney for the debtor(s) named in this petition, declare that I have informed the debtor(s) about eligibility to proceed under For your attorney, if you are

represented by one

If you are not represented by an attorney, you do not need to file this page.

Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each chapter for which the person is eligible. I also certify that I have delivered to the debtor(s) the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) and, in a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, certify that I have no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules filed with the petition is incorrect.

Date	January 25, 2016
	MM / DD / YYYY
	rosana.moreno@morenoandmoreno
Email address	law.com

Certificate Number: 15725-PR-CC-026839051



### CERTIFICATE OF COUNSELING

I CERTIFY that on <u>January 22, 2016</u>, at <u>3:27</u> o'clock <u>PM EST</u>, <u>Tomas Dueno</u> received from <u>001 Debtorce</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, an agency approved pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 111 to provide credit counseling in the <u>District of Puerto Rico</u>, an individual [or group] briefing that complied with the provisions of 11 U.S.C. §§ 109(h) and 111.

A debt repayment plan was not prepared. If a debt repayment plan was prepared, a copy of the debt repayment plan is attached to this certificate.

This counseling session was conducted by internet.

Date: January 22, 2016

By: /s/Vania Padron

Name: Vania Padron

Title: Counselor

<sup>\*</sup> Individuals who wish to file a bankruptcy case under title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code are required to file with the United States Bankruptcy Court a completed certificate of counseling from the nonprofit budget and credit counseling agency that provided the individual the counseling services and a copy of the debt repayment plan, if any, developed through the credit counseling agency. See 11 U.S.C. §§ 109(h) and 521(b).

Certificate Number: 15725-PR-CC-026839050



### **CERTIFICATE OF COUNSELING**

I CERTIFY that on <u>January 22, 2016</u>, at <u>3:27</u> o'clock <u>PM EST</u>, <u>Mercedes Lugo</u> received from <u>001 Debtorce</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, an agency approved pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 111 to provide credit counseling in the <u>District of Puerto Rico</u>, an individual [or group] briefing that complied with the provisions of 11 U.S.C. §§ 109(h) and 111.

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# Notice Required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy (Form 2010)

### This notice is for you if:

You are an individual filing for bankruptcy, and

Your debts are primarily consumer debts. Consumer debts are defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose."

# The types of bankruptcy that are available to individuals

Individuals who meet the qualifications may file under one of four different chapters of Bankruptcy Code:

Chapter 7 - Liquidation

Chapter 11 - Reorganization

Chapter 12 - Voluntary repayment plan for family farmers or fishermen

Chapter 13 - Voluntary repayment plan for individuals with regular income

You should have an attorney review your decision to file for bankruptcy and the choice of chapter.

Chapter 7:	Liquidation
\$245	filing fee
\$75	administrative fee
+ \$15	trustee surcharge
\$335	total fee

Chapter 7 is for individuals who have financial difficulty preventing them from paying their debts and who are willing to allow their nonexempt property to be used to pay their creditors. The primary purpose of filing under chapter 7 is to have your debts discharged. The bankruptcy discharge relieves you after bankruptcy from having to pay many of your pre-bankruptcy debts. Exceptions exist for particular debts, and liens on property may still be enforced after discharge. For example, a creditor may have the right to foreclose a home mortgage or repossess an automobile.

However, if the court finds that you have committed certain kinds of improper conduct described in the Bankruptcy Code, the court may deny your discharge.

You should know that even if you file chapter 7 and you receive a discharge, some debts are not discharged under the law. Therefore, you may still be responsible to pay:

most taxes;

most student loans;

domestic support and property settlement obligations;

most fines, penalties, forfeitures, and criminal restitution obligations; and

certain debts that are not listed in your bankruptcy papers.

You may also be required to pay debts arising from:

fraud or theft;

fraud or defalcation while acting in breach of fiduciary capacity;

intentional injuries that you inflicted; and

death or personal injury caused by operating a motor vehicle, vessel, or aircraft while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs.

If your debts are primarily consumer debts, the court can dismiss your chapter 7 case if it finds that you have enough income to repay creditors a certain amount. You must file *Chapter 7 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income* (Official Form 122A–1) if you are an individual filing for bankruptcy under chapter 7. This form will determine your current monthly income and compare whether your income is more than the median income that applies in your state.

If your income is not above the median for your state, you will not have to complete the other chapter 7 form, the *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 122A–2).

If your income is above the median for your state, you must file a second form —the *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 122A–2). The calculations on the form— sometimes called the *Means Test*—deduct from your income living expenses and payments on certain debts to determine any amount available to pay unsecured creditors. If

your income is more than the median income for your state of residence and family size, depending on the results of the *Means Test*, the U.S. trustee, bankruptcy administrator, or creditors can file a motion to dismiss your case under § 707(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. If a motion is filed, the court will decide if your case should be dismissed. To avoid dismissal, you may choose to proceed under another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code.

If you are an individual filing for chapter 7 bankruptcy, the trustee may sell your property to pay your debts, subject to your right to exempt the property or a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the property. The property, and the proceeds from property that your bankruptcy trustee sells or liquidates that you are entitled to, is called *exempt property*. Exemptions may enable you to keep your home, a car, clothing, and household items or to receive some of the proceeds if the property is sold.

Exemptions are not automatic. To exempt property, you must list it on *Schedule C: The Property You Claim as Exempt* (Official Form 106C). If you do not list the property, the trustee may sell it and pay all of the proceeds to your creditors.

### **Chapter 11: Reorganization**

\$1,167 filing fee

+ \$550 administrative fee \$1.717 total fee

Chapter 11 is often used for reorganizing a business, but is also available to individuals. The provisions of chapter 11 are too complicated to summarize briefly.

### **Read These Important Warnings**

Because bankruptcy can have serious long-term financial and legal consequences, including loss of your property, you should hire an attorney and carefully consider all of your options before you file. Only an attorney can give you legal advice about what can happen as a result of filing for bankruptcy and what your options are. If you do file for bankruptcy, an attorney can help you fill out the forms properly and protect you, your family, your home, and your possessions.

Although the law allows you to represent yourself in bankruptcy court, you should understand that many people find it difficult to represent themselves successfully. The rules are technical, and a mistake or inaction may harm you. If you file without an attorney, you are still responsible for knowing and following all of the legal requirements.

You should not file for bankruptcy if you are not eligible to file or if you do not intend to file the necessary documents.

Bankruptcy fraud is a serious crime; you could be fined and imprisoned if you commit fraud in your bankruptcy case. Making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$250,000, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.

# Chapter 12: Repayment plan for family farmers or fishermen

	\$200	filing fee
+	\$75	administrative fee
·	\$275	total fee

Similar to chapter 13, chapter 12 permits family farmers and fishermen to repay their debts over a period of time using future earnings and to discharge some debts that are not paid.

# Chapter 13: Repayment plan for individuals with regular income

	\$235	filing fee
+	\$75	administrative fee
	\$310	total fee

Chapter 13 is for individuals who have regular income and would like to pay all or part of their debts in installments over a period of time and to discharge some debts that are not paid. You are eligible for chapter 13 only if your debts are not more than certain dollar amounts set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 109.

Under chapter 13, you must file with the court a plan to repay your creditors all or part of the money that you owe them, usually using your future earnings. If the court approves your plan, the court will allow you to repay your debts, as adjusted by the plan, within 3 years or 5 years, depending on your income and other factors.

After you make all the payments under your plan, many of your debts are discharged. The debts that are not discharged and that you may still be responsible to pay include:

domestic support obligations,

most student loans,

certain taxes,

debts for fraud or theft,

debts for fraud or defalcation while acting in a fiduciary capacity,

most criminal fines and restitution obligations,

certain debts that are not listed in your bankruptcy papers,

certain debts for acts that caused death or personal injury, and

certain long-term secured debts.

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### Warning: File Your Forms on Time

Section 521(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that you promptly file detailed information about your creditors, assets, liabilities, income, expenses and general financial condition. The court may dismiss your bankruptcy case if you do not file this information within the deadlines set by the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the local rules of the court.

For more information about the documents and their deadlines, go to: <a href="http://www.uscourts.gov/bkforms/bankruptcy\_forms.html#procedure">http://www.uscourts.gov/bkforms/bankruptcy\_forms.html#procedure</a>.

### Bankruptcy crimes have serious consequences

If you knowingly and fraudulently conceal assets or make a false oath or statement under penalty of perjury—either orally or in writing—in connection with a bankruptcy case, you may be fined, imprisoned, or both.

All information you supply in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to examination by the Attorney General acting through the Office of the U.S. Trustee, the Office of the U.S. Attorney, and other offices and employees of the U.S. Department of Justice.

### Make sure the court has your mailing address

The bankruptcy court sends notices to the mailing address you list on *Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy* (Official Form 101). To ensure that you receive information about your case, Bankruptcy Rule 4002 requires that you notify the court of any changes in your address.

A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*. If you file a joint case and each spouse lists the same mailing address on the bankruptcy petition, the bankruptcy court generally will mail you and your spouse one copy of each notice, unless you file a statement with the court asking that each spouse receive separate copies.

# Understand which services you could receive from credit counseling agencies

The law generally requires that you receive a credit counseling briefing from an approved credit counseling agency. 11 U.S.C. § 109(h). If you are filing a joint case, both spouses must receive the briefing. With limited exceptions, you must receive it within the 180 days *before* you file your bankruptcy petition. This briefing is usually conducted by telephone or on the Internet.

In addition, after filing a bankruptcy case, you generally must complete a financial management instructional course before you can receive a discharge. If you are filing a joint case, both spouses must complete the course.

You can obtain the list of agencies approved to provide both the briefing and the instructional course from: http://justice.gov/ust/eo/hapcpa/ccde/cc\_approved.html

In Alabama and North Carolina, go to: http://www.uscourts.gov/FederalCourts/Bankruptcy/ BankruptcyResources/ApprovedCredit AndDebtCounselors.aspx

If you do not have access to a computer, the clerk of the bankruptcy court may be able to help you obtain the list. Case:16-00470-ESL13 Doc#:1 Filed:01/26/16 Entered:01/26/16 11:20:13 Desc: Main Document Page 20 of 20

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	District of Puerto Rice	o, San Juan Divisi	on				
In	n re <b>DUEÑO ESPADA, TOMAS M. &amp; LUGO RODRIGUEZ, MEF</b>		Case No.				
	Det	otor(s)	Chapter	_13			
	DISCLOSURE OF COMPENSATION	N OF ATTORN	EY FOR I	DEBTOR			
1.	Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(b), I certify the compensation paid to me within one year before the filing of the petition be rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of or in connection.	on in bankruptcy, or ag	greed to be pai	d to me, for services rendered or to			
	For legal services, I have agreed to accept		\$	3,000.00			
	Prior to the filing of this statement I have received		\$	2,864.00			
	Balance Due		\$	136.00			
2.	The source of the compensation paid to me was:						
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):						
3.	The source of compensation to be paid to me is:						
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):						
4.	■ I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with firm.	any other person unles	s they are men	mbers and associates of my law			
	☐ I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with a pecopy of the agreement, together with a list of the names of the people.						
5.	In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to render legal service for all aspects of the bankruptcy case, including:						
	<ul> <li>a. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and rendering advice to</li> <li>b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, statement of affair</li> <li>c. Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditors and confirm</li> <li>d. Representation of the debtor in adversary proceedings and other co</li> <li>e. [Other provisions as needed]</li> <li>IN ADDITION THE CLIENT PAID \$100.00 OFFICE EXIT</li> </ul>	es and plan which may mation hearing, and any ntested bankruptcy ma	be required;  adjourned he				
6.	By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee does not incl	ude the following serv	ice:				
	CERTIFIC	ATION					
thi	I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any agreement of sbankruptcy proceeding.	r arrangement for payr	nent to me for	representation of the debtor(s) in			
		Rosana Moreno-Ro sana Moreno-Rodri					

Signature of Attorney

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